

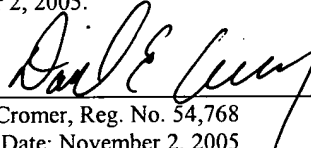


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application	)	PATENT APPLICATION
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Inventors: Lolayekar, et al.	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2153
Application No.: 10/051,053	)	
	)	Examiner: Edelman, Bradley E.
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**RESPONSE C TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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This **RESPONSE** is in reply to the Office Action mailed June 2, 2005.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Response.

**REMARKS** begin on Page 9 of this Response.